

District Judge Barbara J. Rothstein

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

AKRAM ILANLOO, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ANTONY J. BLINKEN, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:24-cv-00713-BJR

STIPULATED MOTION TO HOLD
CASE IN ABEYANCE AND ORDER

Plaintiffs and Defendants, by and through their counsel of record, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 6 and Local Rules 7(d)(1), 10(g) and 16, hereby jointly stipulate and move to stay these proceedings until September 27, 2024. Plaintiffs brought this litigation pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act seeking, *inter alia*, to compel Defendants to complete administrative processing and issue a decision for Plaintiff Inanloo immigrant visa application. Defendants' response to the Complaint is currently due on July 29, 2024. The parties are currently working towards a resolution to this litigation. For good cause, the parties request that the Court hold the case in abeyance until September 27, 2024.

Courts have "broad discretion" to stay proceedings. *Clinton v. Jones*, 520 U.S. 681, 706 (1997). "[T]he power to stay proceedings is incidental to the power inherent in every court to

control the disposition of the causes on its docket with economy of time and effort for itself, for counsel, and for litigants.” *Landis v. N. Am. Co.*, 299 U.S. 248, 254 (1936); *see also* Fed. R. Civ. P. 1.

With additional time, this case may be resolved without the need of further judicial intervention. A consular officer at the U.S. Embassy in Yerevan refused Plaintiff immigrant visa application pursuant to 8 U.S.C. § 1201(g) on January 23, 2023. This case is actively undergoing administrative processing, including security screening, which may result in a consular officer readjudicating Plaintiff Inanloo’s immigrant visa application.

As additional time is necessary for this to occur, the parties request that the Court hold the case in abeyance until September 27, 2024. The parties will submit a joint status report on or before September 27, 2024.

DATED this 25th day of July, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

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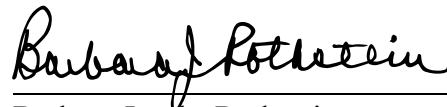
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Attorneys for Plaintiffs

ORDER

The case is held in abeyance until September 27, 2024. The parties shall submit a status update on or before September 27, 2024. It is so **ORDERED**.

DATED this 26th day of July, 2024.



Barbara Jacobs Rothstein
U.S. District Court Judge